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ATTENTION: Heather Green

Following up our conversation a short time ago, here's the Center for Judicial Accountability's December 11th letter to the Governor & Legislature – to which the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption is an indicated recipient. As stated by the letter:

"As the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption has pledged to 'follow the money' and has announced as recently as in its December 2, 2013 interim report that:

'Government watchdogs, the media, and, most of all, member of the public have a right to understand how their tax dollars are spent and by whom, as well as the process used to appropriate state funds' (at p. 25),

this letter is being simultaneously furnished to the Commission with a request that it investigate and render a report to you of the evidence here presented of the Judiciary's latest fraud and attempted grand larceny of taxpayer dollars by its materially unitemized, slush-fund budget and the concealed third phase of the judicial salary increase. So that Chief Administrative Judge Prudenti and Chief Judge Lippman may prepare for the Commission's interrogation – and yours – this letter is also being simultaneously sent to them."

Apparently, in e-mailing the letter on December 11th, I did not include the Commission's comments@moreland.ny.gov e-mail, nor Ms. Calcaterra's direct e-mail, which I am now doing.

Here's the direct link to where the December 11, 2013 letter with its important March 11, 2013 enclosure and other substantiating proof are posted on our website: <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/dec-11-2013-letter.htm>.

Thank you.

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Attached is the Center for Judicial Accountability's letter of today's date pertaining to the constitutional and statutory duty of the Executive & Legislative branches to reject the entirety of the Judiciary's proposed budget for fiscal year 2014-2015, over & beyond its concealed, unitemized third phase of the judicial salary increase that will otherwise take effect, automatically, on April 1, 2014 – and calling for investigation of the Judiciary's slush-fund, larcenous budget, including by the Commission to Investigate Public Corruption.

So as not to exceed e-mail capacity, the single enclosure – the Center for Judicial Accountability's March 11, 2013 letter – will be sent in an immediately-following e-mail.

Both are posted, with substantiating proof, on our website, www.judgewatch.org, accessible from the top panel "Latest News", whose first hyperlink is entitled "CJA Leads the Way to NYS Budget Reform, Starting with the Judiciary Budget". Here it is, directly, <http://www.judgewatch.org/web-pages/judicial-compensation/menu-budget-reform.htm>.

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